



# Kinship Care



## Kinship Care Child Care Subsidies

### Eligibility and Documentation Requirements

**Kinship caregivers** - adults who are raising relatives' children in their own homes - can often qualify for child care subsidies from the state of New Jersey. To learn more about child care resources in your area, you can reach your Kinship Navigator through **2-1-1** or the state child care help line at **1-800-332-9227**.

To qualify for child care subsidies, kinship caregivers must prove they are relatives or legal guardians of the children and that the children live with them. Eligibility rules are based on the caregiver's age, and income limits vary by age and family size.

Those caregivers under the age of 60 must be working to be eligible for a child care subsidy, unless they are disabled. Caregivers over age 60 have a higher income limit and can qualify even if they are not working.

### Documents that can help prove eligibility for kinship care benefits include:

- birth, death and marriage certificates
- driver's licenses
- employment records
- court records (including child custody information)
- immigration and naturalization papers
- records of public or private welfare agencies
- census records
- medical records
- religious records
- school records

**Need assistance?**  
**Reach the Kinship Navigator**  
**toll-free through 2-1-1**



**NJ Department of Human Services**  
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## Income Limits

**For caregivers under age 60 and employed;  
or under age 60, unemployed and disabled:**

* FAMILY SIZE	MAXIMUM INCOME
2	\$ 49,000
3	61,600
4	74,200
5	86,800
6	99,400

*For each additional family member, add \$12,600*

*\* Family size should count all members of the household,  
including the relative child.*

**For kinship caregivers age 60 or older:**

* FAMILY SIZE	MAXIMUM INCOME
2	\$ 70,000
3	88,000
4	106,000
5	124,000
6	142,000

*For each additional family member, add \$18,000*

*\* Family size should count all members of the household,  
including the relative child.*